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- (1) A copy of the Applicants' response to said Office action, which response was deposited with the United States Postal Service on March 22, 2002; and

(2) A copy of the return receipt postcard indicating that the United States Patent and Trademark Office received this response on March 29, 2002.

The Applicants wish to point out that the correct serial number for this application is 09/681,220, and not 09/681,218, as indicated in all of the Examiner's correspondence to date. Attached is also a copy of the filing receipt for the instant patent application indicating the correct serial number to be 09/681,220.

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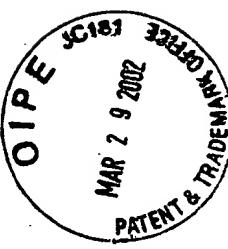
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